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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments be entered in the captioned patent application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. Applicant submits the foregoing amendments to place the case in better condition for allowance or appeal.

In response to the Office Action dated July 7, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response expiring October 7, 2004, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.